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## LONDON FIGURES.

### Huge Interests of the County Council.

The annual statistical abstract for London, the main object of which is to compare statistics over a number of years, includes, with reference to all the metropolitan boroughs and parishes, figures relating to area, population, inhabited houses, rateable value, assessable value, electors, debt, crime, traffic, etc.

With regard to births, the latest statistics in the volume refer to the year 1908, in which year the total number of births in the administrative county was 122,808. The highest figure for a metropolitan borough was for Stepney, which had 10,124 births, as compared with 292 in the City of London, which was the lowest figure.

Turning to the deaths, the statistics show that the total in the administrative county in 1908 was 66,218, as compared with 69,300 in 1907 and 78,538 in 1901. Islington had the highest total in 1908, namely, 4,611, and the City the lowest, namely, 346. The death-rate per 1000 of the living population was in 1908 13.8, as compared with 14.5 in 1907 and 17.1 in 1901. The highest figure in 1908 was in Bermondsey, where it was 18.6 per 1000, and the lowest was in Hampstead where it was 8.4.

Electors in the metropolitan boroughs have steadily decreased during the past few years, the numbers being (1910-7), 810,738; (1907-8), 810,628; (1908-9), 814,399; (1909-10), 791,694; but the percentage voting over four triennial periods ending 1909 has increased as follows:—(1909), 45.9; (1908), 47.5; (1906), 48.2; and (1903), 50.8.

The following figures are included in the net aggregate capital expenditures in 1909:

Asylums.....	\$2,850,000
Bridges and tunnels.....	\$9,130,350
Elementary Education.....	\$16,773,823
Higher Education.....	\$843,329
Fire Brigades.....	\$1,572,648
Main drainage.....	\$11,232,338
Streets.....	\$23,880,279
Tramways.....	\$9,483,662

And the total under this heading is no less than \$88,403,047.

The returns of London under the Motor Car Act of 1903 for the year 1909 are:

Motor cars registered.....	7,196
Motor cycles registered.....	1,611
Licences to drive.....	27,635
Fees received.....	\$15,070

**COMMO-CIVILIAN POPULATION.**  
London's population is perhaps the most cosmopolitan of any of the world's great cities. The birthplaces of 4,528,541 persons in London in 1909 included the following:

London.....	3,016,390
Rest of Eng. 1,202,072	Germany.....27,427
Scotland.....15,906	Italy.....10,889
Ireland.....60,211	Austria.....6,330
Overseas States 38,899	Holland.....4,249
Russia.....28,127	United States 5,561
Poland.....15,420	

As regards the bearing out of infants under the Infants' Life Protection Act, 407 houses, containing 1286 infants, were under inspection; 41 infants died; there were 45 infringements of the Act; and ten persons were fined during the year.

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**NOTICE TO MARINERS.**

No. 484.

CHINA SEA.

**ALTERATION IN CHARACTER OF FOG GUN**

NOTICE is hereby given that from the  
undermentioned date the character of  
the sounding for gun signals from  
lightships will be altered as described in  
the following instructions to lightkeepers:

"The keeper on hearing a bell, fog horn,  
steam whistle or siren, or any other sound,  
during fog or thick weather, which shall  
indicate the proximity of a vessel, will  
immediately fire ONE gun, and after a  
space of FIVE minutes will fire TWO guns  
with the station's distinguishing interval  
between them; and this distinguishing  
signal of two guns will be repeated every  
five minutes, if the vessel's fog-signal  
showing that she is under way—continues  
to be heard."

The distinguishing intervals of the several  
lightships and the dates from which the  
change will be effected are:

From the 15th April, 1910.  
Steep Island ..... 2 Minutes  
West Island ..... 1 Minute  
Banan Island ..... 10 Seconds  
South West Horn ..... 30 Seconds  
Gutzlaff ..... 2 Minutes  
North Saddle ..... 30 Seconds  
Shaw Island ..... 1 Minute  
North East Shanlung Feng  
monitory (in the event of  
disabled) (fog siren being  
disabled) ..... 1 Minute  
Kungtungao ..... 2 Minutes  
Howki ..... 1 Minute

From the 1st July, 1910.  
Breaker Point ..... 1 Minute  
Cape of Good Hope ..... 10 Seconds  
Lamcock ..... 2 Minutes  
Chapel Island ..... 1 Minute  
Chapman ..... 2 Minutes  
Dodd Island ..... 10 Seconds  
Ocksey ..... 1 Minute  
Turnabout ..... 1 Minute  
Middle Dog ..... 2 Minutes  
Tong Yung ..... 2 Minutes

It should be noted that the first signal  
made by all stations will be ONE gun;  
that FIVE minutes later a signal of TWO  
guns will be made, the interval between  
which will enable the mariner to determine  
from which of the group of lightships in  
his neighbourhood the signal has been  
made.

The establishment of First Order Fog  
Siren Stations at Steep Island and Turn-  
about will be commenced during the year.  
By Order of the Inspector General of  
Customs.

F. PERD TILLY,  
Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs,  
Coast Inspector's Office,  
Shanghai, 31st March, 1910.

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## RIGHT HAND &amp; LEFT HAND.

Interesting Article by Mr.  
Andrew Lang.

Mr. Andrew Lang contributes an in-  
teresting article entitled "Right Hand  
and Left Hand" to the London Daily  
Telegraph. He says—

Someone proposed lately that left-handed  
batmen should be excluded from first-  
class cricket. I think this wild suggestion  
emanated from a celebrated golfer. The  
left-handed bat wasted time, he said, by  
changing perpetually, which is true, but  
who would exclude left-handed hitters like  
Mr. V. T. Hill and Mr. A. J. Ford? If I  
have forgotten the initials, none who saw  
Mr. Ford bombard the pavilion has forget-  
ten that graceful and severe player. For  
some reason left-handed golfers are much  
more rare than left-handed bats, and then  
left-handed bats left-handed bowlers are  
more common.

A Huxley Lecture on left-handed per-  
formers was delivered some years ago, and  
was a very interesting study of the  
physiology of left-handedness. Mr. R. Hertz  
now studies "the religious polarity" of  
the topic (in *East Asiatic Philosophical De-  
cember*), and though I do not quite  
understand what "religious polarity"  
exactly means, he is intelligible when he  
explains of the "craving inequality"  
between our way of considering the two  
hands. The left is "sair haddon down."

I think that Mr. Ure, in his little dis-  
cussion on Truth with Mr. Ballou, selected  
"a man's own right hand" as the old-  
fashioned defender of his claims to be  
various. Would a left-hander use the  
phrase? Probably he would, though a  
quicker himself, merely in obedience to  
custom. Man has been used to speak of  
the natural inferiority of woman, and she  
does not like it. Still, in a struggle with  
fists, or even with swords, woman would  
certainly have the worse of it; nor could a  
woman champion beat a good man at a mile  
race. She "is not built that way," she is  
conspicuously and undeniably handicapped  
by Nature. But the left hand is not conspi-  
cuously handicapped; a good left-hander is at  
least as good as a right-hander, whereas at  
physical feats (it were ridiculous to speak  
of the intellect), women are certainly  
no match for men. Then why is the  
left hand usually the worse? Mr. Hertz  
mentions the guess that the left is inferior,  
because the left hemisphere of the brain,  
which works the right side of the body, is  
better than the right hemisphere of the  
brain. "Our bodies are right-handed, be-  
cause our brains are left-handed," says  
Dr. Ure. But as Mr. Hertz replies: "We  
know as well as you (and better) our brains  
as lefters (quakers) because our hands  
are righters (drifters). Mankind for  
some reason has exercised the right hand  
most, and exercise has in proportion strong-  
thened the left side of the brain. The two  
sides of the brain start equal or nearly  
equal, but man has cultivated the powers  
of the left side of the brain by cultivating  
the right side of the body."

The real question is, why has man done  
that? The highest apes, it seems, draw no  
invidious distinction, and are ambidexter.  
like feldsmen who can throw in equally  
well with whichever hand the ball comes  
to. Everyone must notice that many  
children, if not all, are naturally lefters.

They put out the left hands in shaking  
hands; they take the knife in the left hand,  
the fork in the right; they use the spoon  
in the left hand; they throw a stone with  
the left hand, as all the tribe of Benjamin  
throw so straight with the left hand;  
and the Border clan of Kew may have  
been lefters, as "Ker-hand" means  
left-handed in Scots. The left-handed  
child, when taught to write, often writes in  
spiral script, that is, from right to left.

Whatever we may think of "automatic  
writing" it is certain that with right-handed  
writers, it often runs from right to left,  
though, in their conscious writing, it does  
the reverse. Mr. Frederic Myers had, at  
one time, a theory that the unconscious  
self—whatever it may be—uses, in righters,  
the right hemisphere of the brain. He, by  
letter, asked a total stranger, a celebrated  
rapid unconscious calculator, whether he  
were not ambidexter? The calculator an-  
swered that he could not guess the motive  
of the question, but ambidexter he was.

M. Hertz thinks that about two men out  
of a hundred are irreclaimably lefters, a  
larger proportion are as obstinately righters  
but the vast majority are naturally ambid-  
extrous, with a slight preference for the  
right hand (and foot, of course; not many  
can drop a goal equally well with either  
foot). This is very curious when we con-  
sider that from savagery upwards the right  
hand has always been given the preference.  
In the Dutch Indies the left hands of  
batmen are tied up to teach them to use the  
right hand. Yet the left hand, naturally,  
is as good as the right, say, at playing the

(Continued on Page 5.)

**JUST ARRIVED.**

A N exceptionally smart line in  
SEMI-TRIMMED READY-TO-WEAR  
HAIR

IN ALL COLOURS,  
From \$4.50.

M. GAINS,  
18, Nathan Road, Kowloon.  
(Telephone No. 86).

Kowloon, April 4, 1910.

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**SWATOW DRAWN WORK CO.,**

174, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

MANUFACTURERS of the best quality  
of hand-made drawn Chinese Laces,  
and Grass Cloth.

ALL KINDS OF SILK OF THE BEST QUALITY  
Canton Embroidery and Chinese  
Laces of the latest French  
Patterns.

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, November 13, 1909.

## Intimations.

**ORDER  
TO-DAY**

OR

You will

LATE

**"DEL MONTE"**

JUST ARRIVED

PER S.S. "CHIYO MARU."

RETAIL DISTRIBUTORS: Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
and MUTUAL STORES.

Hongkong, February 8, 1910.

**MEE CHEUNG & CO.,**  
ART PHOTOGRAPHER, ICE HOUSE LANE.

SPECIALIST IN ENLARGING AND BROMIDE WORK.

Select Views of Hongkong and South China.

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**"SOLIGNUM"**

A Perfect Preservative Stain for Wood, Stone and Brickwork. It protects against  
decay, fungus, dry rot, the ravages of insects and vermin (especially white  
ants) and the action of the weather. "Solignum" really does what is claimed for it,  
as may be seen from the testimonials of the Governments of India, the Sudan, etc.

In Drums and Barrels of Various Colours.

Prospectus and all information from

SIEMSEN & Co.,  
(Machinery Dept.) HONGKONG, SOLE AGENTS.

Hongkong, December 7, 1909.

Make no Mistake  
about it!

**WATSON'S****N° 10****SCOTCH  
WHISKY**

of the best from Dundee. Demand it.

Agents for Hong-Kong: SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; Co.

Hongkong, June 25, 1909.

**BOXING! BOXING!!**

SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH,  
AT THE  
CITY HALL.

MAIN EVENT:  
SEAMAN WILLIS.

SEAMAN STEER.  
PRELIMINARIES.

Late Car. Late Ferry.  
Booking at ROBINSON'S.  
Hongkong, April 4, 1910.

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE CHINA**

LIGHT & POWER COMPANY,  
LIMITED, AND REDUCED

and

In the Matter of the Companies Ordinance  
No. 1 of 1882.

THE Petition for an Order confirming  
the Special Resolution herein reducing  
the Capital of the above-named Company  
to \$300,000 having been heard before the  
Supreme Court of Hongkong, and the  
Special Resolution having been duly con-  
firmed by the said Court, NOTICE IS  
HEREBY GIVEN that the said sum of \$3  
Capital will be repaid and paid on 8th  
April, 1910, to all Shareholders (standing  
on the register) of shares of the value of  
\$10 each and \$5 bonus to all Shareholders  
(standing on the register) of shares of the  
value of \$1 each on the 8th day of April,  
1910. The Register will be CLOSED on  
the 7th day of April, 1910, and the 8th day  
of April, 1910. All Shareholders must  
produce their Scrip for endorsement upon  
making application for payment as above.  
Dated this 4th day of April, 1910.

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, November 13, 1909.

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## Intimations.

**J. T. SHAW,**  
Tailor and  
Outfitter.**SLAZENGER'S****RACQUETS.****SLAZENGER'S****TENNIS****BALLS.****AYRES'****TENNIS****BALLS.****Black****'Domino'****Racquet.**

Hongkong, November 1, 1909.

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**NOTICE.**

NG KAI, Secretary and Manager of  
The SEZ YUP STEAMSHIP COM-  
PANY, LIMITED, hereby gives notice that  
in consequence of the opinion of the above  
said Company desiring that the name of  
the S.S. TAI HING be changed to HING  
LEE I have applied to the Board of  
Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant  
Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship  
TAR HING aforesaid of Hongkong, official  
number 109874, of gross tonnage 617 tons,  
register tonnage 397 tons, heretofore owned  
by the SEZ YUP & S. COMPANY,  
Limited, whose registered office is at 29,  
Connaught Road West, Victoria, in the  
Colony of Hongkong, for permission to  
change her name to HING LEE aforesaid  
and to have her registered in the new  
name at the Port of Hongkong, as owned  
by The Sea Yip Steamship Company,  
Limited, aforesaid.

Any objections to the proposed change  
of name must be sent to the Registrar of  
Shipping at Hongkong, within seven days  
from the appearance of this advertisement.  
Hongkong, April 1, 1910.

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**PATELL & CO.,**

Exporters & Importers

General Merchants

and

Commission Agents.

Hongkong and

Canton.

**ROSSIA INSURANCE**

COMPANY.

ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA.

TOTAL ASSETS.....Rubles 73,000,000.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that  
Messrs MELCHERS & CO. have  
been Appointed our AGENTS in Hong-  
kong.

Referring to the above Notice, we have  
taken over the Agency of the  
ROSSIA INSURANCE COMPANY—  
St. Petersburg, Russia.  
And we are prepared to accept Orders for  
FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE  
(European and Chinese Risks) at Current  
Rates.  
MELCHERS & CO.,  
Insurance Dept.  
Hongkong, February 4, 1910.

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**NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE**

INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL Funds as 31st December, 1907

£18,114,684.

Authorized Capital £2,000,000

Subscribed Capital £2,750,000

Paid-up Capital £2,500,000

Unpaid-up Capital £250,000

Fire Funds £3,374,15 1

Marine Funds £1,313,343 10 6

Reserve Fund Account £5,907 5 8

£18,114,684 12 1

Reserve Fire Branches £2,800,000 13 1

Life & Annuity £1,847,324 15 1

Branches £2,500,000

Reserve Fund Account £5,907 5 8

£4,138,129 10 11

The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and  
Life Departments are free from liability in  
respect of each other.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
Agents.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese).

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use  
of Ladies and Gentlemen can now  
be had at this Office.—Price, 30 Cents.

JAMES MARY Office, 5, Wyndham Street.

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### BANKS.

#### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL—\$15,000,000  
RESERVE FUNDS—\$15,000,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPERTIES—\$15,000,000

CORPORATE DIRECTORS:  
G. BALLOCH, Esq., Chairman.  
R. H. ARMSTRONG, Esq., Deputy Chairman.  
F. H. BAXTER, Esq., J. A. L. L. Esq.,  
W. B. BAXTER, Esq., J. A. L. Esq.,  
G. H. BAXTER, Esq., J. A. L. Esq.,  
C. R. LEMMON, Esq., J. A. L. Esq.,  
HONGKONG—J. R. M. SMITH.

MANAGER—H. E. R. HUNTER.  
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.  
On Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
On Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.  
For 6 months 4 per cent. per annum.  
For 12 months 5 per cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, March 30, 1910.

#### HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits allowed at 3 PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on VISSA DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.  
J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong January 12, 1907. 1517

#### THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE, LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL—£1,500,000  
RESERVE FUNDS—£1,500,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPERTIES—£1,500,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 1/2 per cent.  
For 6 months 4 per cent.  
For 3 months 3 1/2 per cent.

W. M. DICKSON, Manager.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1909. 46

#### NEDERLANDSCHE HANDELS-MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(NEDERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY)  
ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID-UP CAPITAL—FL. 45,000,000 (23,750,000).  
RESERVE FUNDS—FL. 6,125,745. (3,101,479).

HEAD OFFICE—AMSTERDAM.  
HEAD AGENCY—HONGKONG.  
BRANCHES—Singapore, Penang, Malacca, Batavia, Sourabaya, Semarang, Soerabaja, Palembang, Medan, Deli, Palembang, Kota-Radij, (Achene), Makassar, Sandakan.

Correspondents at Bombay, Colombo, Madras, Pondicherry, Calcutta, Bangkok, Saigon, Hongkong, Hankow, Amoy, Yokohama, Kobe, Melbourne, Sydney, New York, San Francisco, &c., &c.

LONDON BANKERS—The Union of London and Smith Bank, Limited.  
The Bank buys and sells and receives in collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on the Continent in Great Britain, America, and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

#### YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.

ESTABLISHED 1830.  
CAPITAL PAID-UP—Yen 24,000,000  
RESERVE FUNDS—18,250,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.  
BRANCHES AND AGENTS:  
TOKYO, KOREA, NAGASAKI, SHANGHAI, HANKOW, HONGKONG, PEKING, MANCHUKUO, DALNY, TIENTSIN, YOKOHAMA, MUKDEN, CHANG-CHUN.

HONGKONG—Interest allowed.  
On Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. on the daily balance.  
ON FIXED DEPOSITS—  
For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent.  
For 6 months 4 per cent.  
For 3 months 3 1/2 per cent.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1910.

### BANKS.

#### RUSSO-CHINESE BANK.

ORGANIZED UNDER IMPERIAL DECREE OF 10TH DECEMBER, 1895.  
CAPITAL—15,000,000 Roubles.  
CAPITAL contributed by CHINESE GOVERNMENT—5,000,000 R. Tals.  
RESERVE FUND—Roubles 5,612,000

HEAD OFFICE—St. PETERSBURG.  
LONDON OFFICE—41, Threemile St., E.C.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS:  
Amoy, Canton, Hankow, Harbin, Khabarovsk, Kwantung, Peking, Port Arthur, Rangoon, Seoul, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Vladivostok, Yokohama.

LONDON BANKERS:  
LONDON—Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co.  
PARIS—Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris, Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas.

BERLIN—Mandelssohn & Co.  
HAMBURG—M. M. Warburg & Co.  
VIENNA—K. K. Priv. Oester. Creditanstalt f. Handel Gewerbe.

AMSTERDAM—Lippmann, Rosenthal & Co.  
Interest Allowed:  
On Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. on the daily balance.

Fixed Deposits—Terms on application. Local Bills discounted. Special facilities for Russian exchange. Foreign exchange on the principal cities of the world bought and sold.

J. B. ADAMS, N. Manager.  
HONGKONG BRANCH:  
PRINCE'S BUILDING, 6, Hongkong, December 4, 1909.

#### INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID-UP—Gold \$2,500,000  
RESERVE FUNDS—Gold \$2,500,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPERTIES—Gold \$2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—60 WALL STREET, NEW YORK.  
LONDON OFFICE—THE LANCET BUILDING, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:  
NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, Ltd.  
The Capital and Counties Bank, Ltd.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.  
THE Corporation Transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. on the daily balance, and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.  
For 6 months 4 per cent. per annum.  
For 3 months 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Ne. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.  
W. M. ANDERSON, Manager.  
Hongkong, January 24, 1909.

#### THE MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL—£1,500,000  
SUBSCRIBED do.—£1,125,000  
PAID-UP do.—£625,000  
RESERVE FUNDS—£250,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—  
For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent.  
For 6 months 4 per cent.  
For 3 months 3 1/2 per cent.

EVAN ORMISTON, Manager.  
Hongkong, April 25, 1909. 41

#### AGENTS.

LONDON—F. ALLEN, 11 & 12 Clements Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. 4.  
Sole Agents for the Eastern Hemisphere.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS:  
TOKYO, KOREA, NAGASAKI, SHANGHAI, HANKOW, HONGKONG, PEKING, MANCHUKUO, DALNY, TIENTSIN, YOKOHAMA, MUKDEN, CHANG-CHUN.

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TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1910.

### SALES.

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, for account of the concerned, on

**SATURDAY,**  
the 9th April, 1910, at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, corner of Lee House Street, a

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS, Comprising—  
Silk-embroidered Screens, Out-vet Wall Hangings and Kakeemonos, Ivory Carving, Vases, Bowls and Lanterns, Silver Cloisonne Vases and Inlaid Boxes, Satsuma Vases, Inlaid Baskets and Wall Plates, Inlaid and Inlaid Vases, Lacquered Panels and Screens, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.  
Terms—As usual.  
HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1910. 458

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions from A. BARNSTON, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

**FRIDAY and SATURDAY,**  
the 15th and 16th April, 1910, commencing each day at 2.30 p.m., within his residence "DURHAM," Robinson Road, a

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Comprising—  
Teakwood Hatstand with Bevelled Glass, Marble-top Blackwood Sideboard with Glass, Tables, Marble-top Blackwood Cupboard and Flower Stand, Overmantels, Brussels and Indian Carpets and Rugs, Teakwood Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Japanese Silk-embroidered and Lacquered Screens, One large Chinese Cabinet, Brasses and Brass-mounted Iron Bedsteads with Wire and Hair Mattresses, Marble-top Washstands, Teakwood Wardrobes and Dressing Tables, several very Old Clocks, English and Japanese Maps, One American Marble Top Chest, &c., &c.

Also—  
One Gramophone and Records, One full size English Billiard Table and Accessories complete by Herring Bros, London.  
A large quantity of Plants in Pots.  
Catalogues will be issued.  
On View on Thursday, the 14th April, 1910.  
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HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, March 31, 1910. 428

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

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THE GOOD-Will, STOCK-IN-TRADE, FURNITURE, MACHINERY, PLANT, ENGINE, PRINTING PRESSES, TYPE, &c., &c.

OF THE HONGKONG SHEUNG PO CO., LTD. (In Liquidation)  
carrying on business at No. 13, Connaught Road West, Victoria Storefront, as a going concern.  
Terms—As usual.  
Inspecting orders can be had from the Underigned.  
HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1910. 461

#### FOR SALE.

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Particulars may be obtained from H.B.M. CONNELL, Amoy, (Official Executor of the late Mrs T. C. Nicholls).  
Amoy, April 1, 1910. 446

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GLENSHIEL, 115, THE PEAK. To be sold by appointment only. Apply "OWNER," Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.  
Hongkong, April 4, 1910. 446

#### FOR SALE.

AS A GOING CONCERN the "GERMAN TAILORS" established since 1857. Apply to Messrs DEACON, LOCKER & DEACON.  
Hongkong, March 17, 1910. 325

#### LABUAN COAL.

NOTICE—This COAL can only be obtained from THE LABUAN COAL-FIELDS CO., Ltd. who are now prepared to supply from their own mines. Quotations sent on request. Quick despatch.  
Telegrams: LABUAN LABUAN. BRADLEY & CO., Agents, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, August 11, 1909. 1014

#### A RAMBLE THROUGH SOUTHERN FORMOSA.

With Woodcuts.  
Price—50 cents.  
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### THE CHINA MAIL.

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### GEO. P. LAMMERT.

#### AUCTIONEER.

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**SATURDAY,**  
the 9th April, 1910, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, DUNDAS STREET.

A QUANTITY OF CANTON SILK, SEANTUNG SILK, GRASS CLOTH AND EMBROIDERED DRAWN WORK.

Also—  
A QUANTITY OF JEWELLERY.  
A Few pieces of Silverware.  
Terms—Cash on delivery.  
On view from Friday, the 8th April, 1910.

THE Underigned has received instructions from P. FORBES NICHOLSON, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

**WEDNESDAY,**  
the 13th April, 1910, commencing at 2.45 p.m., at his Residence, Bishop's Lodge (South) No. 5, The Peak.

A VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE (Full Particulars from Catalogue).  
Terms—Cash on delivery.  
On View from Tuesday the 12th April, 1910.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

#### BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
MR GEO. P. LAMMERT has instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

**THURSDAY,**  
the 14th day of April, 1910, at 12 o'clock Noon, at his Auction Room in Duddell Street.

THE VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES, Comprising 40 Houses Nos. 1 to 19 (inclusive), PRATA KEN-EDY TOWN, Nos. 1 to 39 (numbers only), BEL-CHERS STREET, and No. 1, COLLINGWOOD STREET, VICTORIA, HONGKONG.

To be sold in TEN Lots.  
The properties consist of—  
All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 294, having an area of 11,938 square feet at an annual Crown Rent of \$126.

All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 281, having an area of 11,675 square feet at an annual Crown Rent of \$126.

All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, and registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 282, having an area of 13,225 square feet at an annual Crown Rent of \$212.

Particulars and conditions of Sale may be obtained from the Valuer's Office, Messrs DEACON, LOCKER & DEACON, 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, and also from THE AUCTIONEER.

#### BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

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MR GEO. P. LAMMERT has instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

**WEDNESDAY,**  
the 20th day of April, 1910, at 12 o'clock Noon, at his Auction Room, in Duddell Street.

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES, known as No. 115, JERVOIS STREET, Victoria, Hongkong.

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## General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, April 6:  
2.30 p.m.—Auction Silk, Drawn Work, Jewellery, etc., at Mr. Geo. P. Lam's Sale Rooms.  
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Curio, etc. at Messrs. Hughes & Hough's Sale Rooms.  
9 p.m.—Boxing at City Hall.

WEDNESDAY, April 13:  
Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., at Head Office.  
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., at Head Office.  
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at the Residence of Bishop's Lodge (South) No. 5, The Peak.

THURSDAY, April 19:  
11 a.m.—Auctions of Stock-in-Trade, etc., at No. 16, Connaught Road West, and No. 24, New Market Street.

## The China Mail

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 1910.

THE ETHICS OF RUBBER  
SHARES.

The veriest tyro in the study of commercial history cannot fail to have seen that those who have derived from the greatest number of gains have invariably been the pioneers of new undertakings, and very justly so, for there is something of genius in the starting of a new and successful industrial enterprise that deserves an ample reward. It is not a very unusual thing to hear regret expressed that one has arrived in the colony of Hongkong thirty or forty years too late, after the cream has been taken off the milk by others, and nothing is left but the useful, if rather prosaic, skimmed article. It is a natural but not a very reasonable complaint, and would be better expressed by the desire to possess the genius which is necessary to initiate that which the circumstances of the time demand. The true pioneer is not the man who has found a treasure dropped from the skies, and appropriated it to himself, he is rather the wanderer in the desert, who, with his eyes well open, sees the possibilities which are hidden from the more careless and unconcentrated gaze of his fellow travellers and is the first to avail himself of them. In this sense surely it is open to all of us to become pioneers, and to reap the benefits which usually fall to their lot. So to watch the trend of human affairs that we may be among the first to appreciate and to predict the most probable movements of the time, and so to direct our course that we may be sure to receive the due reward for our perspicacity. There may be many, and there are certainly some, who see rationally that the present boom in rubber is precisely such an opportunity of joining the noble band of pioneers, and who have carefully estimated the probable demand for this article during the next few years, and, weighing against that demand the probable supply, have come to the conclusion that the former will outweigh the latter, and that the balance will have to be redressed by gold passed from the consumer to the producer. Such individuals have no need for the justification of their conduct, but a boom never results from the action of such. On the contrary it arises from the

behaviour of those who seeing the result without knowing anything of the cause, rush in like sheep to do what others are doing, trying to be of the pioneer class without possessing any of the higher qualifications of that class. The best that can be said of these is that they are engaging in a game of scramble, headless whose fingers get trampled upon so long as they can obtain a share of what is being scattered. In one sense there is nothing immoral in the game, at least so long as someone is good enough to supply the wherewithal. It is more than a little undignified, and some would be justified in avoiding it for this reason alone. It is risky; there are big and active and unscrupulous players in the game, and the chance of coming in for rough usage is not remote, but that is not by any means the greatest danger. In every game of this kind when the supply of good coin grows short it is oiled out by the issue of less valuable, even too often of spurious, coin, and only those (if there are any such) who keep a keen eye upon the leaders have any chance of knowing at what moment the spurious coins are mixed with the remainder of the more valuable ones, and when it is advisable to give up the pursuit. But in another sense it is distinctly immoral and in a high degree. One cannot engage in it without pretending to be what one is not, a leader, or supporter of a legitimate enterprise, when one is only the snatcher-up of unconsidered trifles, which one has in no way earned or deserved. The successful player suffers moral deterioration from his success, and encourages others to follow his example who have not the like skill or unscrupulousness. The unsuccessful player has more poignant reason for his discontent, but he may expect neither pity nor assistance in his distress for, he has deserved none. We cannot hope to put an end to a violent and dangerous sport at the moment that it is in full swing but we may give vent to one word of caution to those who are in the midst of it, not to be too heedless of others—or of themselves—but to exercise as much forethought and moderation as they possess, and to those who are wise enough to avoid the excitement altogether a word of congratulation mingled with encouragement, for such abstinence is fully justified on the highest grounds. Caution not cowardice is the mainspring of their action and caution is ever commendable where risk is considerable. The race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sir Arthur Dalrymple Fanshawe, who has just been promoted Admiral of the Fleet, entered the Royal Navy in 1860.

The new Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth, Admiral Sir A. G. Curzon-Howe, spent a good many of his 40 years of service on the China and India stations.

The Bishop of Victoria accompanied by two Chaplains went to Canton on Tuesday night. His engagements include a confirmation at a Mission Station on the East River, preaching at the Shamen Church, and presiding over a Conference of Chinese Christians. His Lordship expects to be away from the Colony about a week.

Lieut. G. Wilson, quartermaster, 1st King's Own Royal Lancaster Regiment, has been granted the rank of captain. He served for over eight years in the ranks, was sergeant-major about five years, and has had a commission for ten years. He was warrant officer at Malta, Singapore, Hongkong, etc., and quartermaster at Malta, Bengal, Calcutta, Burma, Lucknow, and Aldershot.

FESTIVAL CELEBRATION  
LEADS TO SERIOUS  
FIRE.

The Chinese celebrate a little too wholeheartedly occasionally, as has been illustrated by what occurred at Wong-nai-shong this week. In celebration of the Ching Ming Festival fire crackers have been let off almost continuously for the past few days, with the result that bush fires have broken out at what is known as the coffee plantation, at Mount Caroline Cemetery, and on the hillside above the village. The fire assumed very considerable dimensions yesterday, so much so that the Watchmen were working all day to overcome it. In the end they succeeded but not before several of the Pines were destroyed by the flames.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

March 16 was a record day at the London Bankers' Clearing House, totalling over one hundred and twelve millions.

At a sale of foreign stamps by Messrs. Venton on March 3, a Hongkong 1883, 10 cents blue-green, unused and mint, fetched £2 10s.

Considerable trouble has lately arisen at Portsmouth owing to the persistent way in which local merchant ships get in the way of men-of-war.

Mr. Bonnard, a salesman in the great kerchief department of one of the Paris stores, has won the £20,000 prize in the French State lottery.

Sir Frank Swettenham, writing as one who knows Malaya perfectly, has warned the public against over-inflation of rubber companies and their over-capitalisation.

A Bombay telegram states that the murderer of Mr. Jackson, (Collector at Nankai, who was shot in a native theatre) and two accomplices have been sentenced to death. The others have been sentenced to transportation for life.

The Munich railway accident, where a train filled with soldiers ran into a train de luxe, is the worst that has been known in Germany. It is supposed to have been due to the failure of the electric block signal. Twenty persons were killed and 200 injured.

A wave of national enthusiasm is said to be sweeping through Wales leading to a great revival in the use of the Welsh language, even children of English parents attending Welsh schools being taught the Cymric tongue, a thing frowned on previously by patriotic Welshmen.

The Bombay Fire Insurance companies have incurred such heavy losses of late over cotton fires that they have decided to cancel all policies on soft cotton. They have also raised their rates in some cases by as much as fifty per cent. The Bombay cotton market is seriously disturbed in consequence.

A miser named Charles Phillips has died in the Rowton House at Vauxhall, aged 73. He used to go about in the roughest rags and in cold weather wrapped newspapers round his body to keep him warm. Yet he died worth £2,824, most of which he has bequeathed to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

American telegrams from Fiji, dated 25th March, state that a storm has taken place there. It was limited to the Rawa delta and Suva. Nearly every European building was damaged and numbers of native houses were wrecked. Seventeen persons were killed, but no Europeans. Trade is not seriously affected.

M. Francois Deland, the member for Saigon in the French Chamber of Deputies, is now on his way to Indo-China for the election which is fixed for April 24. The second balloting, if required, falls two weeks later. Strong opposition to the sitting member is said to be developing there.

A Pietermaritzburg telegram states that six hundred men of the Whitehorse Regiment accompanied by Lord Methuen, while out manoeuvring, crossed a spruit during a storm. The spruit suddenly rose and 150 men were isolated on an island. Four privates were drowned, the darkness and the storm baffling efforts to rescue them.

Details of a tariff agreement between Canada and America are published. Canada concedes intermediate rates on forty commodities in return for the United States minimum. An Ottawa telegram says that in the Dominion House of Commons Mr. Fielding declared that this tariff arrangement tacitly recognised the right of British Colonies to give preference to each other.

A native newspaper states that the Waiwupu, seeing that extraterritorial rights have not been recovered from the foreign consuls, has determined to protest against foreigners trading in the interior of China. It has been decided to communicate with the Ministerial Corps in Peking informing them that China will maintain firmly the treaties between Foreign Powers, and China.

The Lieutenant of the Royal Navy who have been promoted from the commissioned warrant rank for long and zealous services have requested that when they are placed on the Retired List at the age of 55 they may be given the rank of Commander (retired), and that for those who retired voluntarily, before reaching 55, three years' service in the Lieutenant rank should be the qualifying period for Commander rank on retirement.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the South African Church Railway Mission, held at Church House, Westminster, Sir Walter Hely-Hutchinson said that he yielded to no one in the desire for the improvement of the black man and for his civilization, but did he think one would come first and that it was the duty of all to see to them first, if only in the interests of the black man. His experience as an administrator in South Africa led him to think that there was too much done for black men, but that the white man's interests were too often neglected in favour of the interests of the black man.

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## CANTON NOTES.

THE CHING MING FESTIVAL.  
(From Our Own Correspondent.)  
Canton, April 6.

The Ching Ming Festival has again come round and all the schools and colleges in the City are closed to enable the pupils to return to their ancestral villages, there to worship and repair the tombs of their forefathers. There has been a very great exodus from the City during the past few days, and the passenger junks on the river have been doing a roaring trade. The Yue Hon Railway has also had a greatly increased traffic while the number of passengers arriving from Hongkong and Macao has been exceptionally great. The fact that the Chinese here seem to make any sacrifice in order to get away to their family tombs. For instance, students in the schools are often not content with the 9 or 10 days holiday given but will stay away from their studies for the major part of a month, thus causing themselves to fall back in their work and giving great annoyance to their teachers. I know of one youth, a student in the senior class of a college here, whose maternal grandmother died some three months ago. He obtained leave of absence for the funeral ceremonies but has not since returned to school, daily wandering about the streets doing neither work nor study. He says he will come back when he has finished mourning. About two weeks ago a young Chinese came and asked me to assist him to obtain work as he had been out of employment for over a year. After some trouble I obtained a situation for him but on Monday I was told that he had thrown up his work and returned to his village to worship his tomb. His place has already been filled up and he will have difficulty in obtaining another; he has a wife and mother to support. The ostensible reason for all this worship is reverence to ancestors but after much conversation with various Chinese on the subject I am led to think that the real reason of it all is that the man may secure to himself a thing superstitious to a degree they think that the souls or names of their forefathers will in some way bring them luck if properly propitiated and it is this rather than a spirit of veneration that compels countless numbers to return to their villages at this season.

## POLICE REALITY.

The police of Canton are no means noted for their kindness or leniency, but on the contrary, are extremely brutal in their treatment of the unfortunate wretches that come within their clutches. A few days ago an example of their harsh conduct was observed on the Bund. A passenger junk had just arrived at the wharf and the crew of the boat handed over to the police one of the passengers, for what offence I was unable to ascertain. The man made no attempt to resist arrest but yielded himself quite quietly to his captors. Those, and there were two of them, who began to beat the man unmercifully with their truncheons. Blows were rained down on the poor fellow's head, back and limbs. At length one of the policemen not being content with the execution done by his baton took out his revolver, a large heavy weapon, and began to strike the prisoner on the head with it. After a few blows had been struck the weapon went off but luckily neither the captive nor the surrounding people were hurt. By this time the man was a half-dead creature and was then dragged away to the lock-up. All this had been done by a large crowd but the police made no attempt to expostulate with the police for their brutality; on the contrary they looked as if they enjoyed the spectacle. It is indeed monstrous that the authorities should give power to these men to ill-treat persons in this way and it is a pity that the Self Government Society does not take the matter up.

## DEPORTED FROM THE ARMY.

The Chinese authorities certainly have some very queer ways of dealing with deserters. According to the military law all persons guilty of desertion are liable to several years imprisonment. During the disturbances at the New Year many of the newly trained troops deserted, as already reported, and of these a considerable number came from the Hoi Kim District. The Military Bureau, who probably being powerless to do otherwise, will no doubt grant the pardon required.

## THE NATIVE FIRES.

On account of the Ching Ming Festival the native passenger offices will be closed during the 6th and 7th inst. and there will be no issue until the 8th inst.

## RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

While a train was running between Fatsan and Sam Shui, the engineer being careless in the manipulation of the engine was severely scalded by boiling water, as were also his two firemen. They were attended to by a doctor of the Red Cross Society at Fatsan. On Sunday a man who was walking along the track near the Three Eyed Bridge was knocked down and instantly killed. His body was horribly mutilated. The railway authorities have a good deal of difficulty in keeping foot passengers off the track and nearly all the accidents on the line have happened to these trespassers. There was yesterday a man walking along the track the Canton Kowloon Railway who absolutely refused to get off the line when he saw a trolley coming along. Those on the trolley shouted to him to get away but he would not budge. The occupants of the vehicle then proceeded to pelt him with some pieces of coal that were conveniently near and it is said that he left the track in less time than it takes to tell it.

## SALT.

The question of the salt monopoly still continues to occupy public attention. Nearly all the people are against the granting of the monopoly, stating that as increased price is sure to be the result. In the meantime the new commissioner, An On Lan has asked the old salt merchants and those who are trying to get the monopoly to make proposals, which the commissioner will lay before the authorities at Peking. It is said that the salt question is one of the grounds on which the Canton Victory has lately been denounced and I have heard several persons say that His Excellency has received a substantial signature to further the scheme of the monopoly. I do not guarantee the information, but such is the story going the rounds.

## "MICE AND MEN."

Some of us like a roaring farce which sends us into fits of laughter correspondingly aiding the assimilation of the dinner we having just partaken of; some a musical comedy where we can join in the chorus and go home humming the tunes; some—but a very few—a pathetic play with hands crushing handskerchiefs; and some—but fewer still—a tragedy where our blood is curdled by murder and sudden death, to be set running again at the finish by the spectacle of virtue triumphant and vice the other thing. There are, however, a large number of us who enjoy a good, honest, straightforward story at which we can laugh a little, feel a little sad, get a little thrilled, understand what it is all about, and afterwards a temperamental evening go home to bed feeling we could have played any of the parts ourselves. Of this sort is "Mice and Men."

The play centres round the Philosopher, the Founding, and Capid. The Philosopher has been killed in early life. "Jilted" he tells us means "deceived"; so he makes a bride of philosophy and children of mathematical calculations and develops a theory for training children "like savages in a hut." More than this, not having heard of what happened in the case of Richard Fernald, he puts his theory into practice and selects a Ward from the Foundling Asylum to train up, to marry, and to confer a benefit on mankind by the pattern of a younger generation similarly systematized into being and shape.

The first act shows us the train laid and the match set. The last act shows us the resultant explosion. The play begins with the selection of the Foundling from half a score other Foundlings, mothered by the Marquis of the Foundling Hospital and Fathered by the Boodle. The Philosopher makes his selection on proper theoretical lines; (it is, of course, merely a coincidence that his choice falls on the best looking one of the lot), cathechizes her, and leaves her to say the multiplication table till his return. Philosophy having gone out of the room Cupid, literally and figuratively, flies in at the window in the shape of the Philosopher's nephew—penitence and amorism as becomes modern Cupid—in search of a lost miniature of the Philosopher's neighbour's wife. Cupid, artless fellow! at once charms the Foundling by song, makes arrangements to correspond with her, and flies back again out of the window en route to Dublin where the Philosopher has banished him as a penance for riotous living and making love to the Philosopher's neighbour's wife. In the next act, two years later, we find the Foundling trained to the hour, running barefoot on the heath in the morning and doing Heaven knows what at night; the Philosopher in love with and about to marry her but with a very unphilosophical hesitation in telling her so. Cupid reformed and recalled, and a Masquerade Ball in contemplation.

Of what takes place there it is not proper here to indicate, save that great revelling ensues and the Philosopher makes a discovery.

It is a curious thing that no Philosopher is ever able to control his natural emotions by their Philosophy. This one certainly is not, but then he is in love and Philosophers are not supposed to be in love. Cupid too, also makes a discovery not entirely unconnected with the Philosopher's neighbour's wife. Here are all the materials for a proper theatrical machine with bits of favour for every palate, leading up to the last act in which we are shown how the Philosopher's experiment passed out. To forestall this would be to go back on the Author, and since everyone is sure to go and see it for themselves, no disappointment will be created by not disclosing it here where the last thing desired is to give the reader any inkling of the play. Go and see for yourselves. Have a good dinner (with a little champagne, if your constitution can stand it) for you can rely on its digestion being assisted by merriment. Take a handkerchief to crush; a delicate one will come to no harm. Don't miss the last tram, for there is a gain to be a rush for it and you may have to pay for another. Above all, don't come in late; and it is as certain as the prescribed authority made little apples that you won't come away early.

It only remains to state that the Caste comprises all that is young and lovely and talented in the Colony and is a mixture as well chosen as this metaphor; strong new blood with some of the vintage brands of the past; and that the application list for the spare Foundlings is largely over-subscribed. Very largely over-subscribed already, and the manager desires it to be known that they will proceed to allotment immediately after the conclusion of the play on Saturday, the 16th inst. and on presentation of a visiting card and a Banker's guarantee, future dividend being announced in due course.

INTERPORT GOLF  
CHAMPIONSHIP.

HONOUR GOES TO HONGKONG.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI April 7.  
The Golf Championship has been won by Mr. T. S. Forrest, of Hongkong, with scores of 41, 42, 43, and 42, a total of 168.

Mr. Longmuir, of Shanghai, reached a total of 170, while Mr. Monteith, of Hongkong, was third with 172.

(Note.—Though the courtesy of Mr. A. W. W. Walkinshaw was able to confirm the above information by a wire which that gentleman has received from Shanghai. He states that Mr. Forrest's average was 42 per round, and adds that the greens were in a ticky condition. The competitors found putting a matter of much difficulty, especially Mr. Monteith, who averaged over three puts per hole.—Ed. C. M.)

## POLITICAL SITUATION.

MR. ASQUITH'S PLANS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 7.  
According to Mr. Asquith's programme the anti-veto resolutions will be passed by the Commons by the 14th inst., and the Budget will be finished before the recess at the end of April.

MR. ROOSEVELT'S FIRM  
ATTITUDE.

HUNDREDS OF CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 7.  
Mr. Roosevelt has received hundreds of telegrams from both Catholics and Protestants in America congratulating him on his attitude towards the Vatican.

## THE MANILA SENSATION.

JAPANESE DEPORTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 6.  
By order of the Secretary for War the two Japanese, who were arrested on the March 30th, for securing photographs of the fortifications at Corregidor, have been released and deported to Formosa.

## FRANCE FEARS INVASION.

TWO NEW DREADNAUGHTS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 6.  
The French Senate have unanimously agreed to the bill for the laying down of two Dreadnaughts in 1910. The Minister for Marine declared that the danger of invasion was indisputable, as a Division could be landed in France in twenty-four hours.

AMERICAN BANKING  
SENSATION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, April 6.  
The Union Bank of Brooklyn has closed its doors. It commenced with a capital of one million dollars. The deposits amount to five and a half millions.

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## SPORTING.

## The Calendar.

Friday, April 8.

Billiards—Championship games at V.R.C.

Saturday, April 9.

Boxing—Tournament at City Hall.

Football—H.K.F.C. Dinner, Hong Kong Hotel.

Cricket—Longue matches.

Racing—Jockey Club meeting, 12.30 P.M.

Bowling—Match at Kowloon Bowling Club Green.

Monday, April 11.

Billiards—Championship games at V.R.C.

Saturday, April 16.

Racing—Gyuhkhan Club's 1st meeting.

Amateur—School Sports, heats.

Sunday, April 17.

Yachting—Royal H.K. Yacht Club Handicap and One Design Class racing.

Monday, April 18.

Athletics—School Sports, heats.

Saturday, April 23.

Athletics—V.R.C. Sports, Happy Valley.

## League Cricket.

## Kowloon v. Civil Service.

At Happy Valley, commencing at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Kowloon will meet the Civil Service team, when the following will represent the former:—J. P. Robinson, W. P. Brewer, W. Weaver, J. H. Mend, H. Spurge, W. Elson, A. C. Brown, W. Curran, Major E. R. Chisley, F. Sutton, and D. J. Mackenzie.

The following will represent the Civil Service Club:—R. O. Hutchison, captain, P. R. Adams, L. E. Brett, E. V. Dawson, E. P. Jackson, F. T. Lambie, J. McEwen, A. R. J. Barton, C. Sutherland, H. M. Thurlhill, R. C. W. Mitchell, Reserve—J. Mackay and A. G. Pile.

## Hovekono "A" v. R.G.A.

The following will represent Hongkong "A" against the R.G.A. in their League engagement on Saturday, at Happy Valley:—Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Dr. Aubrey, J. Hall, W. M. Frost, P. Jack, E. Irving, A. Mackenzie, H. R. Makin, R. Terry, H. R. Wells and A. N. Ocher.

## CHAMBERLAIN'S CRICKET CLUB.

A cricket match will be played on Saturday, the 9th inst., between teams represented as below:—

The Champions: Dr. F. H. Kay (Capt.), L. E. Lamont (Capt.), H. H. Taylor, W. H. Vivian, A. Lindberg, H. Staindill, W. Allen, H. Mader, S. Sondram, G. Rapp, A. Ellis, W. H. Kew, H. Reddick, H. P. Samy, M. A. Buzack. Reserves: R. Basa.

## Cricket.

## HONGKONG v. THE GARRISON.

The following will represent Hongkong against the Garrison team in the match on Saturday, commencing at 1.30 p.m.—R. E. O. Kim, A. A. Ghann, H. O. R. Hancock, W. Manning, R. E. H. Oliver, T. E. Pearce, H. D. Sharpin, A. R. Sutherland, W. C. D. Turner, A. H. Young and A. N. Ocher.

## Lawn Tennis.

## HONGKONG C. C. TOURNAMENT.

Ties still continue to be played off in the above tournament, most of the competitors now drawing near to the final stage. Last evening the first of the championship semifinals was played when B. Hancock met and rather easily overcame P. H. Kilmack. Another interesting match was that between B. Hancock and H. Harris and Wilson, the former pair creating quite a surprise by overcoming their opponents by 2 sets to love. Appended are recent results:—

## CHAMPIONSHIP—Semi-Final.

H. Hancock beat P. H. Kilmack 5/2, 3/6, 6/3, 6/2. Although in this match Kilmack seemed to pull himself together in the second set the other man played a patient, forceful game and by superior all round play quite won him down, winning in the end, by 3 sets to 1 and 21 games to 13.

## "A" CLASS SINGLES.

Second Round.  
P. H. Kilmack (own 15/5) beat R. F. C. Master (own 15/4) 6-2, 6-2.

This was a surprisingly easy victory for Kilmack. Master being quite off colour.

## "A" CLASS DOUBLES.

Third Round.  
R. B. Beattie and C. T. Hoar (own 15/1) beat M. R. Harris and O. Wilson (own 15/4) 6-4, 6-4.

A. O. Brown and S. E. Green (own 4/6) beat F. Mainland and H. Humphreys (own 15/2) 6-1, 6-4, 6-1.

## "B" CLASS SINGLES.

Third Round.  
R. H. Winthorpe (own 2/6) beat R. Johnson (own 15/3) 6-3, 6-3.

E. Davidson (own 15) beat B. E. Chapman (own 3/6) 6-2, 6-0.

## "E" CLASS DOUBLES.

Second Round.  
W. King and W. Purcell (own 5/6) beat H. L. O. Garrett and E. P. Carter (own 15/3) 6/3, 12/10.

## Third Round.

Cap. B. A. Craig and Capt. A. D. Waring (own 6/6) beat W. Waterhouse and W. Manning (own 2/6) 6/0, 6/4.

## Billiards.

Melvin v. Bishop.  
Melvin met Bishop in the Hongkong billiard tournament at the Victoria Recreation Club on Wednesday evening. Melvin maintained his lead until 280 was called when by a succession of small breaks when he came to within 20 of his opponent's score. (Melvin was again favoured by luck and obtained a lead of 50 and again Bishop pulled up to within 50. The game ended with the scores—Melvin, 500; Bishop, 477. The breaks were—Melvin, 20, 14, 15, 12, 12, 12, 23, 18, 11, 10, 10, 13, 10, 29, 14, 11, and 13; Bishop, 10, 10, 22, 11, 20, 15, 27, 13, 20 and 12.

## Lambrook v. Cooper.

The second game was a very time affair neither player showing anything like form and in consequence, scoring was slow. Cooper was certainly the best and in the last 150, took full advantage of all openings, winning by 71. Scores—Cooper, 500; Lambrook, 459. The best breaks were—Cooper, 27, 21, and 18 (2); Lambrook 19 (3) and 21.

## Royal Artillery Regimental Sports.

The annual regimental sports in connection with the Royal Garrison Artillery took place on the ground of the U.S.R.C., Kowloon, on Wednesday afternoon. The band of the 13th Rajputa played most appropriate music during the afternoon and the bandmaster C. T. Coko and were frequently applauded by the numerous spectators.

The officials were:—Committee—Capt. D. Clapham, President, Capt. G. E. Garnett, Lieut. I. Benton, Lieut. A. W. Chapman, Sub-Committee:—R. S. Major White, Corp. Freeman, Corp. C. R. M. Pace, 33rd Co., Corp. Hurlingham, 33rd Co. Judges—Lieut. H. B. Bagnall and Lieut. F. W. Thickmose, Starter—Capt. G. E. Garnett.

The events resulted as follows:—

100 Yards—1, Freeman; 2, Wiltshire; 3, Golding.

200 Yards—1, Lockett; 2, Ansell and Swain, dead heat.

Putting the Weight—1, Salmon; 2, Cooper; 3, Wray.

RANK AND FILE N.C.O.s Race—20 Yards, 1, Champ; 2, Freeman; 3, Nash.

440 Yards—1, Johnson; 2, Booth; 3, Jones.

RELAY RACE, R.G.A.—Four men per team. Each man to run 1/4 mile. 1, 37th Co.; 2, 33rd Co.

SHOWING THE CRICKET BALL—1, Desmond; 2, Jones; 3, Ryan.

100 Yards—Final, 1, Crump; 2, Wiltshire; 3, Freeman and Desmond, dead heat.

BOAT RACE—Competitors to finish with their own boats on, laced up. 1, Musell; 2, Crump; 3, Duff.

ONE MILE—Open to Royal Navy, European Garrison, and Police. 1, Andrews; 2, Sturdy; 3, Tester. Andrews took up fourth position for the greater part of the race, and only shot ahead in the last 100 yards, and won by about five yards. Sturdy was going strong and in all probability would have beaten Andrews if the race had been longer, he finishing much fresher than Andrews. Time, 5 m. 2 sec.

This was very good considering the high wind.

HAIR MILE—1, Lockett; 2, Swain; 3, Desmond.

SERVANTS' RACE—220 yards, handicap, 1 yard start for every year of part of a year over 10 years' service. Two yards start for every year or part of a year over 15 years' service. 1, C.S.M. Wray; 2, Sgt. McCartney.

220 YARDS HURDLES—Final, 1, Freeman; 2, Golding; 3, Moore.

SACK RACE—1, Robinson; 2, Old; 3, Skelch.

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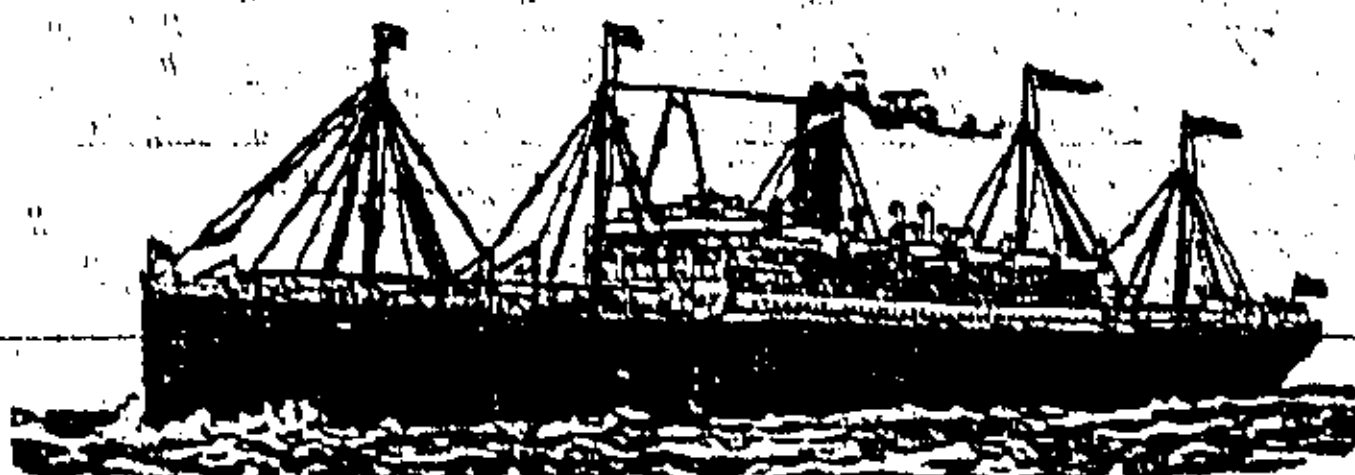
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MANOHARA	27,000	SATURDAY, 4th June	at 1 p.m.
CHIYO MARU	21,000	SATURDAY, 11th June	at 1 p.m.

The P.M.S.S. MONGOLIA will be despatched for San Francisco, via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu, on SATURDAY, April 16th, at 1 p.m.

Fares: Hongkong to London £71 10. 0, including Berth and Meals across America.

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For	Steamers	Tons (gross reg.)	Leaves
TACOMA, via MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	SEATTLE MARU, Capt. T. Saito.	6,168	Wednesday, 20th April, at Noon.
Do.	CHICAGO MARU, Capt. I. Goto.	6,182	Wednesday, 18th May, at Noon.

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SHANGHAI, via SWATOW, AMOY and FOOCHOW	CHOSHUN MARU, Capt. T. Saito.	SATURDAY, 8th April, at 8 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI	DAIGI MARU, Captain H. Murayama.	TUESDAY, 12th April, at 10 a.m.
ANPING, via SWATOW, AMOY	SHOSHU MARU, Capt. Y. Yamamoto.	WEDNESDAY, 13th April, at 10 a.m.

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Hongkong, June 22, 1909.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

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## IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

For	STEAMSHIP	To SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ANGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	PRINZ LUDWIG, Capt. von Binzer.	WEDNESDAY, 20th April, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	GOEBEN, Capt. B. Wilhelm.	THURSDAY, 7th April, at 1 a.m.
MANILA, YAP, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	GOEBLENZ, Capt. H. Raegenor.	FRIDAY, 22nd April, at Daylight
KUDAT and BANDAKAN	BORNEO, Capt. F. Sembill.	Beginning of May.

For further Particulars apply to

Norddeutscher Lloyd,

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General Agents, Hongkong & China.

## NAVAL SHIPBUILDING PROGRAMMES.

As to the vessels to be constructed, Germany this year continues her unhesitating policy by laying down three battle-ships and an armoured cruiser, two protected cruisers, and a large number of torpedo-boat destroyers, while 750,000 will be spent on submarine-boats. The list of ships to be built for the British Navy next financial year, beginning in April, will not be, as shall be presently shown, much superior in power, if any, when we exclude the Colonial ships, which are being built for special duties in distant seas. The real question at issue is the relative position of the British Fleet against possible opponents at any future date. It must be admitted that the building of the Dreadnought battleships for Austria and Italy seriously complicates the situation. Both countries have begun the construction of two ships each, and these nations each contemplate the laying down of two more in a few months. It is recognized that Germany and Austria have been 'eye to eye' with each other in the recent trouble in the Near East; in any case there is a loose bond between the two people, even should the Triple Alliance fail to prove sufficiently strong in the event of European trouble. There is thus some justification in assuming a possible combination of Austria and Germany, so that we are faced with the necessity of ensuring a sufficient margin of naval strength over these two nations, apart altogether from other relative standards. For the present, however, we are absolutely safe. Germany is only putting into commission the first of her Dreadnoughts, and this year may not have more than four of them in service; whereas we have actually in commission, or will have within the next month, seven Dreadnoughts and cruiser-ton in all, excluding the Agamemnon and Lord Nelson. A year hence our superiority will still be satisfactory, although we shall then have added only two against at least four by Germany. But unless there is a thoroughly adequate financial provision for progress on the eight ships ordered during the past year, and for the ships now contemplated, our position will not be quite so satisfactory in battleships two or two and a half years hence. Germany has in the past succeeded in secretly advancing the date when the construction of battleships was commenced, and the same may be done with their vessels this year. The relationship between the German Admiralty and Parliament seems more flexible, and because of this, the Admiralty can enter into provisional contracts, even although the actual expenditure has not been authorized by the Legislature. In the debate in the Reichstag this subject was raised, the principal Admiralty critics desiring to discontinue the provision in the Estimates which makes the same voted for the construction of any ship interchangeable, so that sums in the Estimates of one year may be taken in conjunction with sums voted in other years for the same purpose. This amendment to existing conditions was rejected on the plea of Admiral von Tirpitz that to deprive the naval authorities of this freedom of movement would be irrational and unbusinesslike. Because of the absence of such freedom, or because of too great a desire for economy, the laying down of British ships has in the past been unduly delayed. But if a large vote is provided for the new ships already authorized, all may turn out quite satisfactorily. Engineering.

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Macao, May 19, 1906.

## Shipping.

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## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For	STEAMSHIP	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, via SWATOW, CHOWSANG	YUNTSANG	FRIDAY, April 8, at Noon.
MANILA	YUNTSANG	FRIDAY, April 8, at 4 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	KUMSANG	SATURDAY, April 9 at Noon.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	SUNDAY, April 10, Daylight
MANILA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY, April 15, at 4 a.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA	FOOKSANG	WEDNESDAY, April 27, at Noon.

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THE steamers Kumsang, Nippon and Fooksang leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai, returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A daily qualified Surgeon is also carried.

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## CHINA.

## SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMSHIP	TO SAIL
NINGPO, SHANGHAI & CHINKIANG	LIANGCHOW	April 8, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHINKIANG	April 10, Daylight
OSU & ILOILO	SENGKING	April 11, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAIYU	April 12, at 5 p.m.
SHANGHAI, via SWATOW, CHOWSANG	YUNTSANG	FRIDAY, April 12, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	CHINKIANG	April 14, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	LIANGCHOW	April 17, Daylight
MANILA	SENGKING	April 19, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAIYU	April 21, at 4 p.m.

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THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Steamer	Tons	Leaves	Connecting Steamers	Due	Due
to			from Colombo to	Marineville (Brindisi)	Portsmouth (London)
Colombo			Marineville & London	1 day earlier	1 day later
ASSAYE	7500	April 16	MARMOIRA	May 14	May 20
DELTA	8000	April 30	MOREA	May 28	June 3
DELHI	8000	May 14	MOULTAN	June 12	June 18
DEVANHA	8000	May 28	CHINA	June 26	July 2
ASSAYE	7578	June 11	FESIA	July 10	July 16
ARCADIA	8603	June 25	MALWA	July 24	July 30
DELTA	8053	July 9	MAGDONIA	Aug. 7	Aug. 13
DELHI	8000	July 23	MOULDAVIA	Aug. 21	Aug. 27
ASSAYE	7500	Aug. 6	MOULDAVIA	Sept. 4	Sept. 10
DEVANHA	8000	Aug. 20	MAKORA	Sept. 18	Sept. 24
ARCADIA	8603	Sept. 3	MOIRA	Oct. 1	Oct. 7

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Bombay transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port-Saïd.  
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is definitely reserved in Hongkong or at time of booking.

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to		Hongkong	London
NILE	6700	April 20	June 5
GARDINIA	6700	May 4	June 20
NORB	6700	May 18	July 2
PALAWAN	4700	June 1	July 16
BORNEO	4800	June 15	July 30
SIDRA	6000	June 29	Aug. 14
MALTA	6000	July 13	Aug. 28
SOMALI	6708	July 27	Sept. 11

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CHINA AND MANILA  
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Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila	SATURDAY, April 9, at Noon.
RUBI	2540	A. Fraser	Manila	April 16, at Noon.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT  
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DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	SAILING DATE
MARSEILLES, BONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	MIYAZAKI MARU, Capt. T. Murai, Tons 8000 KIYANO MARU, Capt. E. E. Cooper, Tons 8000 IYO MARU, Capt. T. L. Harrison, Tons 7000	WEDNESDAY, 13th April, at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 27th April, at Daylight. WEDNESDAY, 11th May, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.O. & SEAT. TER, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKO- KAHCHI, AND YOKO- HAMA.	INABA MARU, Capt. K. Kawata, Tons 7000 TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Sato, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 26th April, at Noon. TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.O. AND SEATTLE.	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. K. Kori, Tons 7000	SATURDAY, 23rd April, from KOBE.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, PHURS- DAY ISLAND, TOWNS, VILLE AND BRISBANE.	YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sakino, Tons 6500 NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 15th April, at Noon. FRIDAY, 13th May, at Noon.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.	HAKATA MARU, Capt. J. Driga, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 19th April.
SEANGHAI & KOBE.	BOMBAY MARU, Capt. T. Tanaka, Tons 6000	TUESDAY, 12th April.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND MOJI.	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000	WEDNESDAY, 15th April, at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 8000	THURSDAY, 14th April, at Noon.

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Hongkong, April 9, 1910.

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Shanghai (Steamer)	Leave	Thursday	Saturday or Sunday
Dairin	12.00 a.m.	Sunday	Tuesday
Makden	9.45 a.m.	"	"
Changchun	10.10 a.m.	"	"
Changchun (Russian Train)	5.30 a.m.	Monday	Wed.
Harbin	8.30 a.m.	"	"
Harbin	8.50 p.m.	"	"

SOUTH-BOUND.			
Harbin (Russian Train)	Leave	Thursday	Saturday or Sunday
Dairin	11.55 a.m.	Sunday	Tuesday
Changchun	9.40 p.m.	"	"
Makden	10.00 p.m.	"	"
Dairin	5.08 a.m.	Monday	Wed.
Shanghai (Steamer)	5.00 p.m.	"	"

Connecting at Harbin with State Express from Moscow, State Ex-press from Moscow, Wagon-Lite from Moscow, State Ex-press from Moscow.

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WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory: On the 7th at 12.05 p.m. The barometer has risen moderately in Japan, and fallen over China, particularly in the North. A depression appears to be developing over the Yangtze valley. The high pressure area has moved Eastwards and has now over the Sea of Japan. Fresh to moderate N.E. and E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow: 1. Hongkong and Neighbourhood: E. winds, fresh to moderate, fair. 2. Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1. 3. South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamcocks: Same as No. 1. 4. South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

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For further particulars, apply to NORDDEUTSCHER LOYD, MELOERS & Co., General Agents, Hongkong, April 7, 1910.



FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERHIAN GULF, COCHIN, TIENTSIN, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship ASSAYE, Captain Owen Jones, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this port for BOMBAY, etc., on SATURDAY, the 10th April, 1910, at noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship Mariner.

2,505 tons, from Colombo, Passenger accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

SUEZ and Valparaiso all Carriers France, and for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed by Bombay by the R.M.S. Orotundi, due in London on the 27th May, 1910.

Particulars will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent, Hongkong, April 7, 1910.

To-day's Advertisements

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship JAPAN, Captain J. G. Ouzar, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 12th inst., at Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a daily certified Doctor.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN. (Occupying 24 days). Steamers leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Yokohama, returning via Kobe, (Inland Sea) Moji to Hongkong, providing a stay of 5 to 6 days in Japan.

Return tickets are available by the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Steamers. Fare for round trip \$120.

For Freight or Passage apply to DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents, Hongkong, April 7, 1910.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship GUBERN, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the warehouse and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon and West Point Godowns, where delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 14th of April will be subject to suit.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th of April, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 18th of April, 1910, or they will not be received.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

This Steamer brings Cargo: Ex s.s. Loh, from Rio de Janeiro. Ex s.s. Sauter, from Saigon. Ex s.s. Cabot, from Venice. Ex s.s. Herzog, from Zurich.

NORDDEUTSCHER LOYD, MELOERS & Co., General Agents, Hongkong, April 7, 1910.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, April 7, 1910. On London: Bank Wire... 1/3 1/2. On demand... 1/3 1/4. On 30 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 60 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 90 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 120 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 150 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 180 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 210 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 240 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 270 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 300 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 330 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 360 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 390 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 420 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 450 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 480 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 510 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 540 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 570 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 600 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 630 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 660 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 690 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 720 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 750 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 780 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 810 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 840 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 870 days sight... 1/3 1/4. On 900 days sight... 1/3 1/4. 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